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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

8 B.F. and A.A., minors, by and through their  
9 guardian Joey Fields, et al.,

10 Plaintiffs,

11 v.

12 AMAZON.COM INC, a Delaware  
13 corporation, and A2Z DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER, INC., a Delaware corporation,

14 Defendants.

Case No. C19-910 RAJ-MLP

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS'  
MOTION TO COMPEL

15 This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiffs' October 3, 2019 motion to compel  
16 Defendants to provide substantive responses to Plaintiffs' discovery requests. (Dkt. #70  
17 ("Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel Discovery").) Plaintiffs contend that Defendants have, in essence,  
18 granted themselves a unilateral stay of discovery pending this Court's resolution of their motion  
19 to compel arbitration notwithstanding this Court's denial of such a request on two prior  
20 occasions. (*Id.* at 5-8.) Plaintiffs ask the Court to overrule Defendants' objections invoking a stay  
21 of discovery, and directing Defendants to produce responsive documents and respond  
22 substantively to Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production and First Sets of Interrogatories.  
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1 (*Id.* at 5.) Plaintiffs also request an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in  
2 connection with filing the motion to compel. (*Id.* at 8.)

3 For the reasons stated on the record during the October 17, 2019 hearing, Plaintiffs'  
4 Motion to Compel Discovery Responses (dkt. # 70) is GRANTED. Plaintiffs are correct that this  
5 Court has not entered a stay of discovery in this case, and in fact, has denied two such requests.  
6 The Court expects the parties to abide by their obligations to comply with the Court's directives  
7 and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and seek clarification from the Court if necessary.

8 Accordingly, the parties are directed to promptly meet and confer. If the parties cannot  
9 agree to a coordinated discovery effort that will take similar putative class actions pending in  
10 other districts into account, Defendants will nevertheless provide substantive responses to  
11 Plaintiffs' discovery requests within two weeks. The parties shall also appear for a telephonic  
12 status conference on **October 31, 2019 at 10 a.m.** to update the Court regarding the parties'  
13 discovery progress. Plaintiffs' request for attorneys' fees and costs is DENIED.

14 The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to counsel for both parties, and to the  
15 Honorable Richard A. Jones.

16 Dated this 21st day of October, 2019.

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18 MICHELLE L. PETERSON  
19 United States Magistrate Judge  
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